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### MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF CENSORS

1976-1977



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August 31, 1977

Secretary William A. Urie  
Department of Licensing and Regulation  
One South Calvert Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mr. Urie:

The Maryland State Board of Censors takes pleasure in submitting to you, herewith, the Sixty-First Annual Report of its operations, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977, pursuant to Section 9, Article 66-A of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

As many residents of Maryland attend motion picture theatres for entertainment, this Board has consistently endeavored to maintain community standards in decency in film entertainment, while following the expressed wishes of the Maryland Legislature and the Courts of the State of Maryland.

The Board has the responsibility to reject the licensing of such films which cater to prurient interests, contain patently offensive representations of ultimate sexual acts, normal or perverted, actual or simulated, which taken as a whole lack serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value.

During the past Fiscal Year, the Board has received numerous complaints from the public about certain films over which the Board has lacked the power to regulate. The Board's ability to refuse to license films is dictated by the laws of the State of Maryland and by the United States Constitution.

Since existing law in the State of Maryland considers obscenity as the only grounds upon which the Board may refuse to license any film and makes no allowance for bad taste, vulgarity or violence, the Board has requested the Maryland Legislature to grant more latitude in limiting the excessive violence depicted in many of today's films.

Sincerely,

George J. Andreadakis  
Chairman

## WORK OF THE BOARD, FISCAL YEAR 1977

During the past year, the Maryland State Board of Censors reviewed 442 original films and processed 5564 duplicate seals. There were 55 films rejected, (28 films and 27 peep shows), and 20 films modified in part.

Listed below are the rejected films and the subsequent action taken on them.

- "A Dirty Western" rejected and was withdrawn on January 17, 1977.
- "The Adult Workshop of Love" rejected and was withdrawn on July 13, 1976.
- "Awakening of Annie" rejected and was withdrawn on July 13, 1976.
- "Bibi (Confessions of a Sweet Sixteen)" rejected and was withdrawn on October 5, 1976.
- "The Case of the Smiling Stiffs" rejected and was withdrawn on October 26, 1976. Resubmitted as "Sex on the Groove Tube" and was approved with eliminations on April 27, 1977.
- "Censorship U.S.A." rejected and withdrawn on July 13, 1976.
- "Deep Throat" resubmitted this year and was rejected and was withdrawn on June 24, 1977.
- "Diary of a Sinner" rejected and withdrawn on October 5, 1976.
- "The Divine Obsession" resubmitted this year and was rejected and was withdrawn on January 17, 1977.
- "Dicktator" rejected and was withdrawn on June 25, 1977.
- "Exhibition" rejected and was withdrawn on December 22, 1976.
- "Flossie" rejected and was withdrawn on November 30, 1976.
- "Fly Me the French Way" rejected and was withdrawn on November 16, 1976.

- "Hot Nasties" was rejected and was withdrawn on October 6, 1976. Resubmitted and was rejected and withdrawn on January 17, 1977.
- "The Lollypop Girls in Hard Candy" rejected and withdrawn on June 16, 1977.
- "Love Games" rejected April 5, 1977. Court Action pending at time of this report.
- "Marilyn and the Senators" rejected and was withdrawn on June 7, 1977.
- "The Naughty Victorians" rejected and was withdrawn on July 27, 1976.
- "The Opening of Misty Beethoven" rejected and was withdrawn on December 14, 1976. Resubmitted and was rejected on May 19, 1977. On July 1, 1977 the Board's decision was upheld by Judge Sullivan.
- "Oriental Blue" rejected and was withdrawn on June 27, 1977.
- "The Private Afternoons of Pamela Mann" resubmitted this year and was rejected and was withdrawn on December 14, 1976.
- "Smartie Pants" rejected and was withdrawn on July 7, 1976.
- "The Story of Joanna" rejected and was withdrawn on November 5, 1976.
- "Tarzen & Jane Cheeta and Boy" rejected and was withdrawn on October 26, 1976.
- "Teenage Bride" rejected and was withdrawn on March 18, 1977.
- "Up" rejected and was withdrawn on October 20, 1976.
- "Wet Dreams" rejected and was withdrawn on August 31, 1976. Resubmitted as "Erotic Dreams" and was approved with eliminations on January 17, 1977.
- "Young Casanova" rejected and was withdrawn on August 13, 1976.

Peep Shows rejected and the subsequent action taken on them:

- "A Dual Delight" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Anything Goes with Barby" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Alice and Adam" rejected and was withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #2" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #3" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #7" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #8" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #9" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #14" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bang #19" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Batman" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bob #3" rejected and withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bob #6" rejected and was withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Bob #22" rejected and was withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Cindy and Trish" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Foxy Ass Loving" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Love Making Positions" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "The Masseur" rejected and was withdrawn on May 2, 1977.

- "Norwegian Madness" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Penis Pump Parade" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "The Prick & Pizza Party" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "The Rapist Gets Raped" rejected and was withdrawn on May 2, 1977.
- "Sherrie and Her Blonde Pussy" rejected and was withdrawn on February 24, 1977.
- "Sweet Treat" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Teenage Seduction" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Thunder and Lightning" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.
- "Vibrations for Billy" rejected and was withdrawn on February 18, 1977.

Films Approved with Eliminations:

- "Alice in Wonderland"
- "Bad"
- "Bel Ami"
- "Black Emanuelle"
- "Cinderella"
- "Cinderella 2000"
- "Emilienne"
- "Erotic Dreams" Originally submitted as "Wet Dreams" rejected and was withdrawn, resubmitted as "Erotic Dreams" and was approved with eliminations January 17, 1977.
- "Fantasex"
- "Hanky Panky"
- "Hugo's Magic Pump"
- "The Innocence of Susan"
- "Summer Heat"
- "The Manson's Massacre"
- "Nazi Love Camp 27"

"Sex on the Groove Tube" Originally submitted as "The Case of the Smiling Stiffs" was rejected and withdrawn October 26, 1976. Resubmitted as "Sex on the Groove Tube" and was approved with eliminations on April 27, 1977.

"Sometimes Sweet Susan" rejected February 24, 1977. On March 18, 1977 Judge Kaplan overruled the Board's decision and the film was approved with eliminations.

"Vanessa"

"Willing Wives"

"Young Lady Chatterly"

### INSPECTIONS:

The Board employs one full time Chief Inspector who supervises the duties and assignments of thirteen part-time inspectors. The inspectors are assigned various theatres throughout the State of Maryland to check periodically. Inspections of theatres are made to insure the compliance with the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 66-A and the Board's Rules and Regulations, to determine if films ruled obscene or films never submitted to the Board are being exhibited in the State. Inspectors are also required to periodically view films in theatres to determine if, deletions ordered by the Board are made in all the prints of each film, that is exhibited in the State.

During the fiscal year, a total of 3844 films were inspected during 3181 visits made to theatres throughout the State.

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### PEEP SHOWS:

The Board has held several meetings in reference to "Peep Show" operations at which representatives from the Attorney General's Office, the Vice Squad



of Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County, and the Baltimore City States Attorney's Office were present.

The Board's inspectors conducted a survey of all "Peep Show" operations in the Metropolitan area of Baltimore City and County, Anne Arundel County, Harford and Howard Counties, in an attempt to determine if the Board's Statute was being observed, how many machines in each establishment, the owner's name and other pertinent data.

#### PEEP SHOW TRIALS:

Francis L. Pollard, Jr., Chief Inspector for the Maryland State Board of Censors was called upon to testify in court in cases where "Peep Shows" were confiscated by the Police Departments, for violations of the Censor Board's statute. Testimony of this type is made available upon request in any case involving possible violations of the Board's statute. Mr. Pollard testified in the following cases:

January 5, 1977 - Harford Co. vs. Silver News, Inc. - Aberdeen Books. Verdict: Guilty.

January 26, 1977- Harford Co. vs. Robe, Inc. - Edgewood Books. Verdict: Guilty.

January 31, 1977- City of Salisbury vs. Robo, Inc. - South Salisbury News Rt. 13 East Books. Verdict: Guilty.

- March 1, 1977 - Baltimore Co. vs. Warwick Books  
& Rye Books - Northwest Books,  
Ltd. Verdict: Guilty.
- March 18, 1977 - Montgomery Co. vs. Dennis Eugene  
Pryba. Verdict: Not Guilty.
- April 20, 1977 - Harford Co. vs. Robo, Inc. -  
Edgewood Books. Verdict:  
Guilty.
- May 3, 1977 - Prince George's Co. vs. Dennis  
Eugene Pryba. Verdict: Guilty.
- May 5, 1977 - City of Salisbury vs. Robo, Inc. -  
Rt. 13 East Books and South Salis-  
bury News. Appeal of case origi-  
nally tried on January 31, 1977,  
will be tried by Jury at a later  
date.

INVESTIGATIONS: (Conducted by the Maryland State Board of Censors)

On April 4, 1977, The Maryland State Board of Censors with assistance from the Baltimore City Vice Squad raided the North Ave. Cinema and confiscated two (2) untitled and uncensored films. On May 19, 1977, a trial was held in the Baltimore City Circuit Court, the North Cinema Inc. was found guilty of violating Article 66-A, Section 19-B and was subsequently fined.

On June 6, 1977, the Maryland State Board of Censors with assistance from the Anne Arundel County Vice Squad raided the New Glen Theatre and confiscated one (1) film entitled, "Surftide 777" which was being exhibited displaying a Censor Board seal. Upon checking the Maryland State Board of Censors records the confiscated film was found to be incorrectly titled and was never approved by the Board. Trial is pending.

# MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF CENSORS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1977

Receipts, Licensing Fees .....	\$11,093.00
Budget Appropriation .....	75,987.00

## DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries .....	\$52,326.12
Technical and Special .....	480.00
Communication .....	1,470.57
Travel .....	1,656.43
Contractual Services .....	603.23
Supplies and Materials .....	3,352.34
Replacement Equipment .....	270.80
Additional Equipment .....	00.00
Fixed Charges .....	8,918.00
Total Disbursements	\$69,077.29

Unexpended Appropriations as of June 30, 1977	\$ 6,909.71
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## TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1977

License Fees (Original Films Only) ..	\$11,093.00
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TOTAL ANNUAL RECEIPTS FOR  
SIXTY ONE (61) YEARS PERIOD

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>EXPENSES IN EXCESS</u>
1916-1977	\$2,562,811.60	\$2,593,811.41	\$30,999.81